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ALL EFFORT FOR CITY'S PROGRESS

Joint Committee Effects
Permanent Organi-
zation.

J. STEWART BRYAN
CHOSEN CHAIRMAN

Other Officers, Save Secretary,
Are Nominated by Special
Committee and Elected by
Acclamation—Effort to be
Directed First Toward
Extension of Limits.

The joint committee for the progress of Richmond held a meeting of epoch-making importance and interest last night, at which a permanent organization was completed and a campaign inaugurated for the extension of the corporate limits of the city as speedily as practicable.

There were just twenty-five persons present, but they were all representative men of the organizations by which they were delegated. The committee by acclamation chose as its permanent chairman Mr. John Stewart Bryan, one of the originators of the co-operative movement known as the Joint Committee of Progress. Besides the chairman, the board adopted the report of a committee recommending a temporary chairman, for which Mayor McCarthy was chosen; a treasurer and an executive committee of eleven, of which the chairman and vice-chairman are ex-officio members. The selection of a permanent secretary was deferred until the chairman and vice-chairman and other members of the executive committee have had opportunity to consider and agree upon the most competent and desirable man for the position. It is understood that the secretary is to be a salaried officer, and that a thoroughly competent and energetic and efficient man is desired.

One of the features of the evening was the brilliant address on Civic Righteousness, made by Rev. Dr. Edward N. Calsch, in response to an impromptu call by Chairman Bryan, who selected the theme and asked him to respond. In its conception, delivery, philosophy and the lofty key on which it was pitched, the address was a gem, and was received with great and spontaneous applause by the committee.

Delegates Present.
One of those missed from the meeting was Mayor McCarthy, one of the most active forces in the organization of this "Co-Operative Club," as some characterize it. Mr. Bryan in calling the meeting to order, stated that the temporary chairman was detained by reason of his official duties, being engaged in presiding at a meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners.

Those present and the organizations they represented were as follows: Hotel Men's Association—Messrs. P. M. Fry and John Murphy; Commercial Men's Association—Messrs. William Jenkins, Jr., Charles E. Richards and Clarence E. Snyder; Central Trades and Labor Council—Messrs. John M. Ryall, W. C. Phoenix, Academy of Medicine and Surgery—Dr. J. Shotton Horseley, McGuire, Newton.

Travelers' Protective Association—Messrs. Joseph Wallerstein, M. C. Patterson and Harry B. Lee; Common Council—Mr. John P. Lea, Board of Aldermen—Mr. John B. Minor, Richmond Educational Association—Messrs. John Stewart Bryan and W. A. Crenshaw.

Civic Improvement League—Mr. C. B. Cooke, Dr. Edward N. Calsch and Mr. Robert Lee Taylor; Retail Dealers Association—Messrs. F. W. Carter and Wirt Quarles; Master House Painters and Decorators Association—Messrs. R. L. Peters and A. W. Harrow; Bar Association—Messrs. S. S. P. Patterson and John Howard, Jr.; Wholesale Grocers Association—Mr. C. D. Coleman.

The Richmond Railroad Club and Stock Exchange and Ministerial Union were not represented at the meeting, but are understood to be in sympathy with the movement.

Starts Out Brightly.
Mr. Bryan, upon calling the meeting to order, briefly reviewed the movement, which the Joint Committee of Progress was the result of, from its inception in the minds of a few of the earnest movers thereof to its present status.

"We are here for co-operation, not for antagonism," said he. Like-mindedness was suggested as the distinguishing characteristic of the organization, and the sole object of this movement.

"You must have a means of making your will effective," said the speaker, when he had impressed the importance of like-mindedness upon his hearers. "We are going to make this thing go. We must have a little give-and-take in this committee, and we must do one thing at a time and concentrate on that. In time we can do everything that everybody wants done that should be done."

The chairman read the list of organizations that had been notified of the temporary organization and asked to send delegates, and also the list of delegates named by those bodies responding to the call.

At this point Mr. C. B. Cooke suggested Mr. Joseph Wallerstein as temporary chairman, and put the question, declaring Mr. Wallerstein chosen by consent.

Mr. Cooke nominated for permanent chairman Mr. John Stewart Bryan, and in doing so paid a handsome tribute to the nominee. Colonel John Murphy seconded the nomination, and declared that nineteen of every twenty men in the organization favored Mr. Bryan. Dr. Calsch also seconded the nomination, characterizing Mr. Bryan as one of the finest young men in the city.

Chairman Wallerstein put the question, there being no other second, and Mr. Bryan was elected permanent chairman by a rising vote, amid applause.

LEADING GENERALS IN BATTLE THAT HAS RESULTED IN JAPANESE VICTORY



TO REDUCE BOARD AND OUST WALKER

President to Make Radical Change in Panama Canal Commission.

DEMOCRAT WILL GET REPUBLICAN'S JOB

Remarkable and Significant Appointment Made by President in Georgia—Legality of Mileage Grab to be Decided by Court of Claims.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 8.—While no authoritative statement concerning the President's intentions is obtainable at the White House, it is known to be his purpose to make several radical changes in the membership of the Panama Canal Commission, which changes, in his judgment, will facilitate work on the great waterway. His desire, it is understood, is to reduce the commission to three members, all of whom shall be practical engineers of eminence.

Under the Spooner act, one of these engineers must be from the navy and one from the army. Admiral John G. Walker now represents the navy, and General George W. Davis, the army, on the commission. It is said positively that Admiral Walker will not continue long as a member of the commission. The achievements of the body under the direction of Admiral Walker have not been satisfactory to the President.

Reasons for Change.
President Roosevelt gave his assurance to members of the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce that he would remove Admiral Walker from his position as head of the Isthmian Canal Commission. The House tried to legislate Walker out of the place at the recent session, but could not get the help of the Senate in doing so. A bill was passed by the House regarding the construction of the canal, and abolishing the commission. It went to the Senate, and was amended so as to take away the feature abolishing the commission and placing the work of construction in charge of the Secretary of War, under the President. This amended bill went to a conference committee of the two Houses, and agreement was never reached, owing, it is understood, to the influence which Admiral Walker has with the Senate, and which was strong enough to make the senators stand for him to the end.

About the time Congress adjourned, when it became known to the President

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FURIOUS COMBAT BETWEEN JAPANESE CAVALRY AND RUSSIAN COSSACKS

SENATE WILL NOT MAKE PRECEDENT

Carefully Eliminates Everything That Will Let Santo Domingo Treaty Apply Elsewhere.

TELLER-PRESENTS A PROTEST

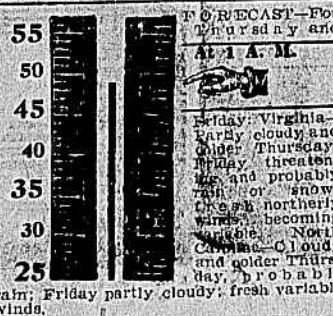
Amendment Will Strike Out Part Pledging United States to Respect Republic's Integrity.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, March 8.—The Santo Domingo treaty was practically perfected today by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, so far as phraseology is concerned, and without regard to the principles involved in the procedure proposed by the convention. The committee progressed so far that it was agreed to take a vote on the treaty to-morrow to determine whether the report will be in favor of ratification or rejection. What that report will be cannot be determined positively, although it is believed it will be favorable. The Democrats on the committee have expressed themselves as against the treaty fundamentally, although they took an active part in the presentation and adoption of amendments. It is expected that most of the Republican senators will vote to report the treaty as amended.

All of the amendments adopted by the committee are with a general aim of making the question covered stand alone, and remove all chance of it being used as a precedent for like procedure in other countries under the guise of being required by the Monroe doctrine. For instance, one of the amendments strikes out that portion of the second paragraph of the preamble which has been construed as a definition and application of the Monroe doctrine to the Santo Domingo case. The probability that this treaty will be brought up in the future as a precedent was discussed freely in the committee, and it was predicted that the procedure was a forerunner of what may be expected to take place in regard to Venezuela. It was declared, too, that this government may have to take over the Santo Domingo country as territory of the United States.

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POINTER ON THE WEATHER



CONDITIONS YESTERDAY:
Richmond's weather yesterday was cloudy and warm. Range of the thermometer:
9 A. M. 43 6 P. M. 67
12 M. 59 9 P. M. 60
3 P. M. 66 12 M. 60
Average 58.3
Highest temperature yesterday 67
Lowest temperature yesterday 40
Sun sets 6:10
Normal temperature for March 54
Departure from normal temperature 14
Precipitation during past 24 hours1

MINIATURE ALMANAC.
March 8, 1905.
Sun rises 6:32
Sun sets 6:10
Moon sets 9:29
High tide 5:43
Low tide 7:01

VIRGINIA GETS THE HOUND TRIAL

Messrs. Smith and Higginson Have Come to Terms.

The question of the superiority of the American or the English hound has become so vexed, especially since Mr. Harry W. Smith, of Worcester, Mass., has offered to bet \$1,000 that his "Grafton Pack" of American hounds can beat Mr. Higginson's "Middlesex Pack" of English hounds, that The Times-Dispatch wired Messrs. Smith and Higginson yesterday asking them to say if they expected to hold the trial in Virginia. Mr. Smith's reply is published below and will be read with great interest by sportsmen: Worcester, Mass., March 8th.

If Higginson comes to time, the hound trial match will no doubt be held in Virginia, where conditions of soil and temperature, together with that of scent, are unequaled; moreover, the inhabitants, to a man, as I have found them, are a race of sportsmen interested in horses and hounds and outdoor life. Now that the question of superiority has been brought up, I believe that the people of the American breeders, it ought to be thrashed out to the bitter end, and when the money is posted I shall work to improve the Grafton Pack of American hounds so that they may fairly and truthfully represent the name and breed that they stand for.

Suits England All Right.
The English hound is all right in England, but the American hound has, in my opinion, improved on the English hound so much for our use that I shall

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AGED MINISTER DIES SUDDENLY

Rev. P. B. Price, Presbyterian Minister, Passed Away Last Night.

FEW THOUGHT HIM VERY OLD

Strong Constitution Succumbs to Infirmities of Old Age. Four Times Wedded.

Rev. Philip Barbour Price, one of the oldest and for many years among the ablest ministers of the Southern Presbyterian Church, died unexpectedly just before midnight last night at his residence, No. 917 East Leigh Street, in the eighty-third year of his age. A large proportion of that long and useful life was spent in this city, as a boy first, then in his maturer years for nearly a quarter of a century as pastor of a church here, and for the last four years as a resident, not actively in charge of a pastorate, but ministering unto congregations of his church wherever his strength permitted. The end came peacefully, after an illness of about ten days, death being due more to the infirmities of advanced age and a life of great activity than to any disease. Few, however, knew that death was so near him.

With the venerable minister in his last days and at the end were his wife, daughter and son. Other members of the family are widely scattered, one of them being a missionary of his church in the China field, where he has labored for twenty or thirty years.

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POWER HOUSES MAY JOIN FIGHT

Strikers Plan Coup That Will Cripple All New York Lines.

GREEN MOTORMAN CAUSES ACCIDENT

Flying Train on Elevated Road, Loaded With Passengers, Almost Derailed—Both Sides Claim to Have Situation Well in Hand.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 8.—A very decided improvement in conditions in traffic on the subway and the elevated railroads marked the second day of the strike of the employees of the Interborough Company. This was especially true on the subway, on which by the time the evening rush hours came, express service had been established and affairs had almost resumed their normal aspect. On the elevated lines, traffic was more irregular, but continued to improve, especially on the Sixth Avenue line. There was practically no disorder and only a few minor accidents occurred during the day.

Both Sides at Work.

Officials of the Interborough Company express confidence that they had the situation well in hand and that a few days would see a full resumption of service on all lines. To-night the officials announced that they had received assurances of the intention of fifty per cent. of the strikers to resume work as individuals, and that forty of the old motormen had already been taken back. This was positively denied by President Pepper, of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, who declared that he could account for every one of the men who had gone on strike and there had been no sign of disaffection in the ranks.

At the down-town recruiting office of the Interborough Company, about 250 additional men were accepted for service on the elevated railroads and were sent to the yard at One hundred and forty-seventh Street.

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BADLY BEATEN, RUSSIANS FLY, LEAVING MUKDEN

In Bloodiest Battle of the War, Japs Gain a Great Victory.

KUROPATKIN TRIES TO REACH TI PASS

Rennenkampf May be Cut Off on East—Army in Bad Plight.

ENORMOUS LOSSES IN ELEVEN-DAY STRUGGLE

Czar, Disgusted, Will Depose Present Commander-in-Chief and Put New Man at Head of Army—Russian Fleet Starts Back Home.

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, Mar. 8.—A. M.—It is officially announced that the Russians began retreating yesterday morning. The Japanese armies are pursuing them. General Kuropatkin has been badly beaten. The battle was the bloodiest of the present war.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 8.—The State Department is officially informed from Tokyo that the Japanese have secured a great victory before Mukden and that the Russian army is in full retreat. The casualties are numerous on both sides.

(By Associated Press.)
GENERAL KUROKAWA'S HEADQUARTERS IN THE FIELD, VIA FUSAN, Mar. 8.—Morning.—The Russians (last night, under cover of darkness, evacuated the whole line along the Shakhe River, and are now in full retreat northward. The Japanese infantry is pressing them closely. The fall of Mukden appears imminent.

(By Associated Press.)
MUKDEN, Mar. 8.—(17 A. M.—The Russians are retreating from the line of Shakhe River and the left flank to the line of fortifications on the Hun River. The Japanese are north of Mukden and are advancing against the railroad at Ungtun. A fight is raging two miles west of the railroad and projectiles reach the railroad.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 8.—A. M.—The battle of Mukden has resulted in a Russian defeat. Field Marshal Oyama has once more proved himself one of the greatest masters of offensive strategy since Napoleon. The Russian army is now engaged in endeavoring to defend his life as a master of successful retreats and bring off his army with its immense train, safely to Ti Pass, where a position was long ago prepared with this end in view. The Russian commander-in-chief is much more difficult than the one he met successfully at Liau Yang, since now he is threatened on both flanks, his left wing being endangered by a mountainous region far from the railroad. Nevertheless, Russian military men here express a fair degree of confidence in General Kuropatkin's ability once more to extricate his army and avoid a Russian Sedan.

Be sides his skill in rear-guard action they base their hopes on the physical condition of the Japanese soldiers, who, though they are conceded to be the greatest marchers in the world, are well exhausted by their strenuous endeavors of the last night.

Forced to Fight.

Only to the militated the news of the reverse positively known at this time. Emperor Nicholas and high military officers, of course, were informed by General Kuropatkin's telegram on Tuesday, stating tersely that Mukden must be abandoned and they received details of the withdrawal as they appeared in excessive portions of the official dispatches given out yesterday. Last evening a newspaper contained a vague report of doubtful origin, but the report was so positive statement was derived from General Kurokawa's headquarters, the contents of which was quickly telegraphed to many liberals from friends on the other side of the world. The report will not be printed in this morning's papers, the government, true to its policy of breaking bad news gently, only preparing the way by authorizing the publication of a number of preliminary telegrams. The news, however, is only what was expected, ultimate retirement having been discounted from the moment Oyama inaugurated his brilliant move westward.

From information in the possession of the Associated Press, it is known that General Kuropatkin contemplated retirement before the beginning of the battle and that he had hoped to accomplish it without a serious combat. The Japanese, however, refused him to accept battle. The doubling retreat movement compelled him to send the major part of his reserves to the fighting line and rendered an effective counter stroke almost impossible. The Russian retreat was immediately taken on March 8th, as was stated by the Associated Press on that day. Withdrawal was actually begun during the night.

Japs Reckless of Sacrifices.

The great question now, and over which the general staff burned its lights late into the night, is whether Field Marshal Oyama has entangled the Russians in his strategic net sufficiently to prevent a successful retreat to Ti Pass. General Rennenkampf's force to the eastward, it is admitted, is in great danger of being cut off, and a considerable force of the Japanese appears to be pressing the retreat. The news is toward Ti Pass. If the Japanese succeed in reaching the railroad and interrupting traffic, it only for a few hours, it may have the greatest consequences for General Kuropatkin, who is now endeavoring to escape the Japanese to reach the naturally defensive position forty miles northward. Thus

ARE BLESSED BY HIS HOLINESS

Colonel McCabe and Party Cordially Received by the Pope.

Colonel W. Gordon McCabe and Messrs. Frank Davenport, B. O. McCabe and W. H. Hooton, of this city, who are spending some time abroad, have recently been very highly honored in Rome. They bore a letter of introduction to a high churchman in Rome, given them by Bishop Kelley, and a reception by the Pope was arranged. His Holiness greeted the Americans most cordially, and gave them his blessing. This reception by the Pope is considered an honor which comes to but few, and the tourists are understood to be very proud of the distinction. The Richmonders are greatly enjoying their trip abroad, and their visit to Rome, perhaps its most interesting feature.

INVESTIGATING DEATH OF MICHAEL M'GRATH

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, March 8.—The police are investigating the death of Michael McGrath, a well known horseman of the Bronx, who died in Fordham Hospital today from a fracture of the base of the skull. The police and McGrath's friends are of the opinion that it came to his death by violence.

EXPLOSION WRECKS NORMAN MEETING HOUSE

Young Woman Killed—Twenty-Six Persons Seriously Injured.

(By Associated Press.)
SALT LAKE, UTAH, March 8.—An explosion of illuminating gas in the cellar of the Mormon meeting house at Ogden, fourteen miles southwest of Salt Lake City, caused the death of one young woman and seriously injured twenty-six other persons, mostly young women and children.

The meeting house was wrecked. While the Granger Mutual Improvement Association was in session the lights went out. A boy went into the cellar with a lamp to see what was wrong and the explosion followed. Miss Nellie Mackay, the church organist, who was standing directly over the gas tanks, received the full force of the explosion and was instantly killed. A panic ensued among the audience and in their efforts to escape from the wrecked building many who had not been injured by the force of the explosion were trampled upon.

Ryan Wins in Three Rounds.
(By Associated Press.)
HOT SPRING, ARK., March 8.—Adam Ryan, of Philadelphia, knocked out Lonnie O'Brien, of Buffalo, here to-night in three rounds. Ed Wadsworth, out of the "Terrible" Turk in two rounds.

15 WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 15 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 8 are as follows:
8 Trades, 8 Domestic, 3 Miscellaneous, 1 Professional
This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

DEADLOCK LIKELY IN COLORADO FIGHT

Democrats Confident of Victory If They Can Get Vote First.

(By Associated Press.)
DENVER, March 8.—Proceedings in the joint convention of the General Assembly today indicate a deadlock in the gubernatorial contest. Twenty-two Republican members joined forces with the Democrats on a test vote and these Republicans, it is reported, agreed to stand together in favor of re-appointing Lieutenant Governor Jesse A. McDonald as Governor. There are forty-four other Republican members who can be depended on to vote for James H. Peabody, the contestor. This is five less than a majority. The Democratic vote of thirty-one on joint ballot will be cast solidly for Governor Alva Adams.

The struggle to-day was in regard to precedence in the vote on the various reports. The anti-Peabody faction and the Democrats are confident they can defeat the Republicans if they can get a vote first.

NEGRO CHARGED WITH LARCENY LYNCHED

(By Associated Press.)
TULLAHOMA, TENN., March 8.—Rence Grwynn, a negro, was lynched today by a band of unknown men. He was charged with larceny. The colored people are greatly excited.

BALFOUR AGAINST PROTECTIVE POLICY

Premier Declares for Free Trade. Churchill Leads Big Debate.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, March 8.—Vinston Churchill led to-night, in probably the last debate of the session on the fiscal question in the House of Commons. The debate was on a resolution declaring that in the opinion of the House permanent unity of the British empire could not be secured through a system of preferential duties based on protective taxation of food. The galleries were crowded, and there were few empty places on either side of the house. Mr. Churchill's motion being regarded as the most serious attack on the government majority since the opening of Parliament. It was a political move, intended to demonstrate to the country the strength of Mr. Chamberlain's following.

Joseph Chamberlain and Mr. Balfour took part in the debate, the premier declaring he was unalterably attached to the principles of free trade, and would never be responsible for a protective policy. Mr. Churchill's resolution was defeated, 242 to 220.